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1. COMMUNIST GUNNERS HAVE DISPLAYED A CALLOUS DISREGARD FOR
CIVILIAN LIFE AND PROPERTY BY HITTING SEVERAL NON-MILITARY TARGETS
IN THREE ROCKET ATTACKS ON TAY NINH SINCE JANUARY 18. THE RESULTS
OF THESE ATTACKS HAVE INCLUDED FIVE CIVILIANS KILLED, 34 CIVILIANS
WOUNDED AND OVER 120 HOUSES DESTROYED OR DAMAGED. IN ADDITION A
HOSPITAL PHARMACY AND AMBULANCE WERE DESTROYED.

2. ON JANUARY 18, COMMUNIST GUNNERS SHELLED SIX ROCKETS
AGAINST TAY NINH SHORTLY AFTER NOON. THREE OF THE ROCKETS STRUCK
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THE MILITARY HOSPITAL, WOUNDING THREE CIVILIANS (TWO OF WHOM WERE

NURSES), SEVERELY DAMAGING A ROW OF HOUSES, AND DESTROYING THE HOSPITAL PHARMACY AND AN AMBULANCE.

3. ON JANUARY 21, THE MILITARY HOSPITAL AGAIN TOOK ROCKET FIRE. NO ONE WAS INJURED IN THIS ATTACK BUT TWO HOUSES WERE DESTROYED AND A THIRD WAS DAMAGED.

4. COMMUNIST GUNNERS FIRED SIX MORE ROUNDS OF 122MM ROCKET AGAINST TAY NINH IN THE EARLY EVENING HOURS OF JANUARY 22. FIVE OF THE ROCKETS IMPACTED WITHIN A DEPENDENT HOUSING AREA KILLING FOUR CIVILIANS, WOUNDING ONE, BURNING DOWN 117 DEPENDENT HOUSES. TWO OTHER HOUSES WERE DAMAGED. THE SIXTH ROCKET STRUCK THE REHABILITATION CENTER, KILLING ONE PRISONER AND WOUNDING 30 OTHERS. PETERS UNQTE
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